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EXTRACTION OF TEETH WITH "ANAESTHETIC" FINEST DENTAL WORK IN THE CITY.

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SOLD MILLIONS FOR A SONG.

Woman with 115 Descendants Could Have Been Immensely Rich.

A recent dispatch from Shanokin says: Mrs. Michael Derk's one hundred birthday anniversary has just been celebrated in Cameron, and the old woman, who at one time owned \$5,000,000 worth of the finest anthracite coal in the world and did not know it, was heartily cheered by 115 descendants as she was escorted to her seat at the head of the banquet table. Mrs. Derk looked and smiled at the assemblage and looked as though she might live many more years.

In addition to the distinction of attaining such age and selling the coal land, she never saw a railroad or locomotive. She has resided in Upper Mahanoy township continuously the past fifty years. Mrs. Derk was born Jan. 22, 1797, in "Long Swamp," near Philadelphia, and her parents removed to Cameron when she was a young woman. After her marriage to Mr. Derk the young couple settled in Coal township, acquiring 300 acres, which were later on sold for \$200, the Derks returning to Cameron. The tract they disposed of is now worked by the Pennsylvania Railroad company, and many colliers have for many years supplied the coal markets.

THREE SHERIFF'S SALES.

Transfers Acknowledged in Open Court Yesterday.

The following deeds were yesterday acknowledged in court by Sheriff Clements:

Land in Scranton sold as property of Gaspare Abbate to the Citizens' Building and Loan association; consideration, \$300. Land in Boaring Brook township, sold as property of Guy A. Robinson, administrator, to A. T. Searle; consideration, \$1,121.50. Premises in borough of Dunmore, sold as the property of Albert Buttner to Eastern Union Building and Loan association; consideration, \$94.

WHAT WE ARE DOING

In our show windows you will see the greatest offer in Gent's Shoes for this season, all styles and kinds. Formerly sold at \$3.50. Will sell for



\$2.50 The Pair.

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SOCIAL EVENTS OF YESTERDAY

Mrs. W. F. Hallstead Gives a Tea at Her Home on Wyoming Avenue.

MRS. T. G. WOLF ENTERTAINS

Mr. and Mrs. B. Moses Celebrate the Silver Anniversary of Their Wedding at their Home on Mulberry Street—They Received Many Beautiful Gifts—Number of City Physicians Dine at the Bristol House.

Mrs. W. F. Hallstead gave a tea yesterday that was distinguished for the splendid hospitality and exquisite arrangements that featured all of Mrs. Hallstead's entertainments. The house on Wyoming avenue was filled with a veritable crush of visitors between the hours of 3 and 6. Mrs. Hallstead was assisted in receiving by her daughter-in-law, Mrs. George M. Hallstead, and in entertaining by Mrs. James McLeod, Mrs. James P. Dickson, Mrs. C. W. Kirkpatrick and Mrs. A. H. Shopton. At the refreshment table in the dining room were Mrs. H. M. Boies and Mrs. C. R. Parke, and at the tea table in the same room, Miss Platt, Miss Platt, Miss Mabel Harding, of Ringhamton; Miss Carrie Harding, Miss Matthews and Miss Reynolds served at the luncheon and trappé table. Hanley was the waiter.

Among those present from out of town were: Mrs. Rapallo and Mrs. Edward Lewis, of New York city; Mrs. Eason, of Orange; Mrs. Kennedy and Mrs. Katharine Kimball, of Ringhamton; Mrs. E. I. Harding and Mrs. N. H. Harding, of Factoryville.

A matinee euchre for ladies and a progressive euchre in the evening were given yesterday by Mrs. Theodore G. Wolf, of 211 Clay avenue, for her sister, Mrs. S. L. Foulke. At the matinee there were present Mrs. P. S. Page, Mrs. J. H. Phelps, Mrs. Frank Penman, Mrs. Charles Fuller, Mrs. Ellis Phillips, Mrs. N. E. Rice, Mrs. Stephen Rice, Mrs. J. G. Labar, Mrs. H. B. Warr, Mrs. Wilcox, Mrs. Hazard, Miss Bradley, Miss May Cousens, Mrs. R. J. Foster, Mrs. S. H. Stevens, Mrs. B. A. Hill, Mrs. F. S. Barker, Mrs. Harry Barker, Mrs. John Broadbent, Mrs. Alfred Conell, Mrs. Edward Chamberlain, Mrs. S. T. Hays, Miss Haight, Miss Graham, Mrs. Rogers Israel, Mrs. William Jessup, Jr., Mrs. George Jermyn, Mrs. Edward Jermyn, Mrs. Perryell, Mrs. F. H. Kingsbury, Mrs. John T. Richards, Mrs. N. Y. Lee, Mrs. M. W. Lowry, Mrs. W. S. Diehl, Mrs. Salmon, Mrs. C. L. Frey, Mrs. Terwilliger, Mrs. E. W. Fleitz, Mrs. C. M. Sanderson, Mrs. J. L. Wentz and Mrs. Price, of Hazleton. In the evening the guests were Dr. and Mrs. A. J. Conell, Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Conell, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Cousens, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Lynde, Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Labar, Mr. and Mrs. Charles McMullen, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Megargel, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Pratt, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boyer, Mr. and Mrs. John Roll, Mr. and Mrs. George Russ, Dr. and Mrs. R. M. Stratton, Mr. and Mrs. John Simpson, Mr. and Mrs. William Silkman, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Schlager, Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Sweeney, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Conell, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Woolworth, Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Sanderson, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Penman, Mr. and Mrs. John H. Phelps.

The twenty-fifth anniversary of the wedding of Mr. and Mrs. B. Moses was delightfully celebrated yesterday by a family gathering at their home, 307 Mulberry street. The event was given no formal announcement, but its remembrance was evidenced by a rich array of gifts from Mr. and Mrs. Moses' many friends. The event was celebrated at dinner and at a social gathering in the evening by nearly thirty persons, comprising the family and near relatives. There were present Mr. and Mrs. M. S. Singer and family, of Carbondale; Morris Moses, of New York city; Julius and Fred Moses, of Carbondale; Miss Celia Moses, of Carbondale; William Moses, of this city; Henry L. Moses, a son of Yale, and the three daughters of the couple, whose anniversary was commemorated. Mrs. Moses was Miss Johanna Bergman, of New York city.

Segel's new dancing academy in the Carney building, corner of Adams avenue and Linden street, was formally opened last night with a social to former and present pupils and their friends. About 150 accepted the invitation and enjoyed a most delightful evening. Bauer's orchestra furnished the music.

The new quarters of the academy are in every way thoroughly adapted for their uses. They were arranged under the direction of Professor Segel himself and as may be believed are model in their appointments. The academy is on the fourth floor and is reached by an easy flight of broad stairs. The dimensions of the building are 40x115. The dancing hall occupies 40x80 feet of this space and the remainder is taken up with a private office, two cloak rooms, a smoking room and a reception room, the latter being connected with the main hall by unusually wide doors, making the room virtually one. The

floor of the dancing hall is as near perfection as it is possible to make it. The ceiling is finished in metallic lacquered work and is tinted a pale blue. The side walls are a delicate salmon, the woodwork is Georgia pine in natural colors and the tapestries and other furnishings are also of light hues giving the place a decidedly light and airy appearance. The orchestra balcony is suspended in mid-air at the extreme end of the hall. It is capable of accommodating twenty musicians. It is the intention of Professor Segel to give an informal hop and full dress social alternately every two weeks for pupils and friends.

In the Bristol House, Providence, last night, a few of the physicians of the city met and enjoyed a social hour. A dinner was served and there was some informal speech making over which Dr. J. W. McLean presided. The doctors present were: Dr. Dango, Dr. J. J. Sullivan, Dr. Dawson, Dr. Hoesey, Dr. W. W. Jenkins, Dr. Cadwell, Dr. James Stein, Dr. J. E. Salty, Dr. Wehlan, Dr. W. W. McAndrew and Dr. McLean. During the period of speech making many topics of interest to physicians were discussed.

PERSONAL MENTION

S. Haslacher, of Rochester, is in the city for a few days.

James P. Lewis, of Beaver Falls, was here yesterday.

M. P. Wilkinson, of Elmira, was yesterday in the city.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Lathar have returned from New York city.

T. F. Ryman, of Wilkes-Barre, was engaged on business here yesterday.

The Rev. Richard Horns is confined to the house with a severe cold and cough.

Mrs. T. P. Huber and son, Harry, of Eastport, were in Wilkes-Barre yesterday.

Attorney George Horn, of this city's board of health, has been appointed a

member of the legislative committee of the state board of health.

Norman Stewart, of Montrose, was in the city last evening.

Hon. L. A. Watros left here yesterday on his third trip to Europe within a year to visit the members of his family.

The Misses Katie McNeel and Tessie Keegan, of Hyde Park; Helen Gibbons, of Green Ridge, and Mame J. Hughes, of Olyphant, attended the Young Men's Institute social at Dunmore last night.

Colonel Meredith L. Jones, of New York city, has been asked to act as aide, either on the staff of General Horace Porter or on the staff of the city, during his visit to the city on the occasion of the inauguration of President McKinley on March 4.

FIRST DAY OF GOOD SLEIGHING.

The M. J. of the S. B. Once More De-light the Fair.

Both the weather-wise and government guessers struck it right. The former said "much snow." They were right. The latter went further and said heavy snow fall; will clear up towards night. They were more right. The light fall which set in about sunset time became gradually heavier and heavier until about midnight, when a regular, really, truly snow storm was in full operation. It continued steadily all night and far into the day, covering the ground to the depth of about four inches. It commenced to slacken during the early afternoon and at nightfall was light and unsteady. The thermometer kept hovering around the eighteen above mark, ascending towards midday and dropping when night approached. Strong easterly winds were seriously impeded. Regular trips were made, although schedule time could not be strictly observed.

It was the first good days sleighing in this region has enjoyed this winter and those who were fortunate enough to own sleighs or to have been hired to rent them took advantage of the rare opportunity with a vengeance. Washington avenue was the favorite drive and all day long and far into the night the merry jingle of the sleigh bells was heard throughout its whole length. The boulevard and the roads up and down the valley were also thronged. Many bob-sleds with large parties being very much in evidence on the road.

The predictions for today are "fair and continued cold; westerly wind. While more snow is not predicted, "continued cold" gives assurance that what we have will not depart.

JUSTICE FOR BOSBYHELL.

Ex-Mine Superintendent Gets Fair Play from Congress.

Washington, Jan. 28.—The house committee on claims today decided to report favorably a bill relieving Oliver C. Bosbyshell, of a claim against him of \$14,448. Mr. Bosbyshell was superintendent of the mine at Philadelphia in 1892 and Henry S. Cowan, a wealthy stone gold bar, valued at \$100,000.

Mr. Bosbyshell was held responsible for all the amount not recovered and judgment obtained by the government against him and his bondsmen. It was shown that Mr. Bosbyshell had no custody over the bullion stored.

Steamship Arrivals.

New York, Jan. 28.—Arrived: Steamer Anconia, from Glasgow. Arrived out: Steamer Lahn, at Bremen; Werra, at Genoa. Sailed for New York: Aller, from Southampton; Columbia, from Genoa; Zaanland, from Amsterdam.

"My daughter had stomach trouble which brought on nervous prostration, and a friend recommended Hood's Pills, and she began taking them and they have cured her. Mrs. C. S. Fish, East Stroudsburg, Pa."

Hood's Pills cure all liver ills.

AN EX-SHERIFF AND DEPUTIES ARE SUED

Co-Defendants in a Twenty Thousand Dollar Damage Case.

AN INTERESTING EJECTMENT SUIT

Fought Out on Technical Grounds. Verdict for Full Amount Claimed and Interest Against the Ex-Publishers of the Defunct "Sons of America" -- Jones-Schimpff Jury Still Out, Trying to Agree.

Ex-Sheriff John J. Fahy and his deputies, F. E. Ryan, William Craig and George C. Griswold were yesterday co-defendants with the executors of the Charles Tropp estate, in an action of trespass brought by Caroline M. Reed. Mrs. Reed is seeking to recover \$20,000 damages for goods which she alleges were illegally seized and disposed of at a sheriff's sale. She claims that she was in partnership with Charles E. Tropp in the store known as Reed's market, conducted near the Academy of Music in 1882. Tropp confessed a firm judgment to his father and his grandmother, Mrs. Lohman, for money borrowed from them by the firm. Mrs. Reed, however, claims she was no party to the judgment, that she knew nothing of it and that it was for Tropp's personal debts and not those of the firm that the judgments were given.

The sheriff and his deputies are now defendants by reason of their having sold out the store on the alleged illegal writs. Mr. Nolan represents the plaintiff and Messrs. Horn and Welles the defense, the former being attorney for the sheriff and the latter for the es-

the plaintiffs' attorneys secured from the defendants' witnesses an acknowledgment of the contract and as the statute of limitations do not run against a debt on real estate bought under contract the main contention of the defense was broken down and Judge Archibald directed a verdict for the plaintiffs, fixing \$1,000 as the amount the defendants would have to pay to secure release of judgment.

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His Head Caught in the Elevator Shaft of Board of Trade Building.

CAR WAS STOPPED JUST IN TIME

In Another Instant the Youth's Head Would Have Gone Thumping Down the Shaft--He Thrust His Head into the Shaft to Summon the Elevator and It Descended and Badly Injured Him.

A fatal accident was barely averted yesterday afternoon at about 4:30 o'clock in the new board of trade building on Linden street. Ernest Mansfield, aged 13 years, employed as a messenger boy by the Western Union company, was on the seventh floor and desiring to be lowered to the first floor, and as the electrical call buttons are

not yet in place, he pushed his head through a sheet of heavy wrapping paper that was stretched across the window of the door that opened into the elevator shaft.

The elevator was upon the eight floor, while young Mansfield thought it was below. Without any warning of the protruding head below the elevator boy, named Frank Schaefer, started the car downward. Fortunately he glanced between the edge of the car and the side of the shaft and caught a glimpse of the messenger boy's head. Instantly he reversed the action of the elevator, but the car had struck the boy's head and pinned him for a moment between the elevator and the door.

Had the elevator been stopped a moment later the boy would have met instant death. The injured youth was carried to Dr. Shumway's office on Washington avenue, where the wounds were found to comprise a deep gash diagonally across the right side of the chin and serious sprains about the neck. It was feared that the lad's jaw had been dislocated, but this proved untrue. Dr. Shumway closed the gash on the chin with several stitches, and the boy was taken to his home at 431 Chestnut street.



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